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TO THE PUBLIC

The Bassano News is presented to the citizens of Bassano and vicinity this week under entirely new management. In making its appearance as a candidate for public patronage The News feels that a brief salutary may not be out of order.

The purchasers have carefully considered every phase of the situation and have cast their lot in Bassano with the firm conviction that the town has a bright future and that the citizens will recognize merit in a newspaper. The News will never overlook an opportunity to lend its support to every worthy enterprise, tending to the advancement of Bassano and vicinity. In its efforts to accomplish a great amount of good for the town The News solicits the support and patronage of the business men and feels confident of receiving same. It is the wish of the publishers to at all times be frank in stating our position on matters political and otherwise and may say that politically The News will be found espousing the cause of the Liberal party.

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ENGLAND AND THE MONROE DOCTRINE

Lord Haldane, lord high chancellor of Great Britain, is not only a "good mixer," but he is a man of rare good sense with splendid tact for emphasizing important truths at the opportune moment.

At the annual Thanksgiving dinner of the American Society in London Thursday night as one of the leading speakers of the occasion he adverted to the delicate subject of the Monroe Doctrine, and in the sentiments expressed gave the first public pronouncement of its indorsement, as the spokesman for the British government, that has been made by a European power.

In this connection he said that the United States considered herself responsible for the liberties of the smaller nations of the Western Hemisphere, and in the announcement of that doctrine Great Britain realized that its purpose was to secure good government and fair treatment for these countries, and he interpreted President Wilson's policy to mean that the United States was ready to accept the responsibility of insuring good terms herself in those countries and to those who went there, and that the United States had set up high ideals of policy, of justice and of rightness.

This public pronouncement of acceptance of the principle of the doctrine, with the support that Great Britain is giving the president of the United States in the working out of his policy relative to the Mexican situation, is timely, and its effect will be to cement more closely the ties of friendship existing between the two countries.

The king of Italy in opening the Italian parliament delivered a speech which in some respects might be termed progressive. He announced the success of the recent experiment of universal suffrage, but evidenced the trend of monarchical views as to the policies that are necessary for the support of existing institutions by urging the strengthening of the army and the navy and the placing of Italian finances on a more solid footing. To his end, he appealed to the patriotism of the wealthier classes to "dig" into their pockets a little deeper to help out the national exchequer. Aside from this royal talk, there are many signs which go to indicate that Armageddon is still in the future.

If the cost of living is reduced by the tariff Underwood will go to the Senate with the biggest majority ever given an Alabama politician. If the tariff doesn't cut the cost—well, that's another story, as Kipling says.

The dove of peace has had to fly pretty high the past two years to avoid getting hit by the bullets of hostile people bent on exterminating one another. For this reason it is pretty generally understood that the third international peace conference at The Hague, which was to have been held in 1915, will have to be postponed until 1916 or 1917. To the making of such a conference a success, it is necessary that there should be much preliminary work in composing the angry passions of the people of the various nationalities which are now and recently have been engaged in hostilities. It is a long time in the future before we may hope to see the swords beat into ploughshares and the spears into pruning hooks.

The seven wonders of the modern world, according to the vote of some 700 European and American scientists, who were asked by Popular Mechanics to express their opinion, are the following: Wireless, telephone, aeroplane, radium, antiseptics and antitoxins, spectrum analysis and the X-ray. The seven wonders of the ancient world were the pyramids of Egypt, Pharos (lighthouse) of Alexandria, hanging gardens of Babylon, temple of Diana at Ephesus, statue of Jupiter by Phidias, mausoleum of Artemesia and the Colossus of Rhodes.

A deputy marshal seized several piano boxes recently which were found to contain whisky and beer consigned to an Oklahoma citizen. This kind

of musical instruments can truthfully be said to be an improvement on the original contents of the boxes, which were mail order brands of alleged pianos, wholesaled at a thousand dollars a dozen and used to inflict death by slow torture on a long suffering but deserving public.

Huerta quotes Napoleon to justify his acts. Well, there is one kind of semblance between them. The civilized world stood aghast at Bonaparte's execution of the Duc d'Enghien and the whole civilized world stood aghast at the untimely taking off of Madero.

The dear people of Calgary will no doubt welcome the day when the Mewata party matter is finally settled. It has furnished the daily press with plenty of ammunition during the past few weeks.

Editor Woods of The Calgary Herald became a little overzealous in his criticisms of certain oil interests, and for his pains has to answer a charge of criminal libel.

Our observation is, give the ladies all the money they want and they will not only shop early, but during the middle of the day and late also.

Apparatus to simplify the examination of paper money under a magnifying glass has been patented by a California woman.

With the installation of a first-class system of water works Bassano would be justified in feeling just a trifle "puffed up."

A plate sterilizing machine for hotels and restaurants, automatic in its operation, is a Frenchman's invention.

An Oklahoma cow swallowed a purse containing \$280. E pluribus unum! but that was a cut worth chewing!

According to an English scientist X-rays are the most extreme rays at the ultraviolet end of the spectrum.

Great Britain is building the first battleship in which there will be no coal bunkers, oil being the only fuel used.

Why not have cheap fuel in Bassano? A well drilled for natural gas would undoubtedly solve the problem.

TAMPERING WITH TRIFLES

(By Judd Mortimer Lewis)

There's so much Christmas spirit in the air just all the time,
And the wind among the branches seems
a-weaving of a rhyme
With the givin' gladness in it, that it, somehow,
just can't rain!

On Thanksgiving' there was just a few drops spattered on the pane,
And then the clouds went sky-hootin', miles away,
like wisps o' smoke,
Like small wisps that rings your doorbell an' skedaddles for a joke;
And the sun come out as yellow as it had been
just before,
And the blossoms shone bright dewdrops all
around your cottage door.

Somehow 'long about this season nature seems just like a girl,
That I used to know back yonder, with a little yellow curl,
Either hangin' on her forehead or a-dancin' in
the breeze,
An' she's seen a-comin' to ards me in tall grass
up to her knees,
An' her eyes full o' gladness, an' her lips is
curved in song,
An' her feet are sort o' dancin' to the joy she
brings along.

An' her chin is sort o' dimpled, an' her cheeks are
all aglow,

And she's lookin' at me sort o' like the girl I
used to know.

An' her arms are heavy laden, there's a spray o'
camas red,
An' the petals of pink roses are across her bur-
den spread,
An' there's great big yellow punkins sort o' nest-
in' in her arms,
An' there's big old fat old turkeys a-displayin'
of their charms,
Peepin' out of heaps of apples and of tangerines
an' things,
An' there's grapes, an' there's potatoes, every-
thing that autumn brings!
An' I wait her comin', happy in the gifts she
brings to me;
I just always see the autumn like a girl that
used to be.

And no weather man could have the heart to let
it rain these days!
Couldn't set the gutters brimmin', couldn't muddy
all the ways;

For the whole world is out shoppin' for its loads
o' Christmas toys,

Things for makin' glad the hearts of little girls
and little boys;

And, because they are, the weather has to be as
sweet an' fine,
An' as golden as a goblet brimmin' over yellow
wine;

An' the raindrops that come splashin' on the pane
Thanksgivin' Day
Was just a joke like boys play when they ring
and run away.

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STATEMENTS COMPARED BY LEADING IMPERIALISTS

Imperial and Naval Authorities
In England Condemn the
Borden Plan.

Comparison of statements by leading Imperialists in Great Britain and of Mr. Borden in Canada leads irresistibly to two conclusions—that Mr. Borden is absolutely wrong in his centralizing naval policy and that his whole trend of thought is of a revolutionary nature, repellent to the mother country, as well as to Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. Mr. Borden has out-Torled the Tories in his anxiety to get back to conditions which made the Family Compact a name of evil repute in Canada.

Mr. Richard Jebb, the famous English naval and imperial authority, on November 4th issued an appeal to the British public to abstain from making any statement of naval policy to the Canadian government which they regarded as disclosing grave conditions, it may be possible in the future to make right which has been made wrong at the present time. It is the firm intention and determination of this government... to bring down at a later date proposals for the acquisition or construction of three battleships as soon as possible in the Navy. And in 1912... Canada will take over and pay for and acquire these ships and will place them at the disposal of His Majesty the King.

Proceeding, Mr. Jebb says: "Free speech in Britain is a cornerstone for the Dominions. Is that their prescription for securing unity of the Empire until federation? The difference between 'may' and 'shall' is just the difference between the late liberty which made and sustained the dominions and the new intolerance which by the shade of authority would turn the dominions into subject countries?"

Admiral W. H. Henderson—"Until naval federation is secured, which will I think take about ten years, the only form of naval policy under existing conditions which the motherland and her daughter nations can adopt must be on the lines undertaken by the Australian Commonwealth. The question is one of 'no taxation without representation,' by ignoring which we lost the American colonies."

Admiral Fremantle—"The admiralty at the request of the Commonwealth is steering, which will I think take about ten years, the only form of naval policy under existing conditions which the motherland and her daughter nations can adopt must be on the lines undertaken by the Australian Commonwealth."

Admiral J. J. Moore—"The

admiralty at the request of the Commonwealth sent out Sir Reginald Henderson to confer with the Australian government before the Borden project was introduced in the Canadian parliament in 1913, with the result that for a year the ruling was misrepresented, with a man or two in Parliament by such notorious corrupt methods that even Hon. Mr. Rogers did not dare to speak of them. The Admiralty Minister of the Commonwealth had similar methods practised by the same man who had worked in Macdonald. Will Hon. Mr. Rogers dare to speak of the methods of Macdonald when he goes to follow the Macdonald government through?"

It may be possible for a system of filing objections and appealing technical decisions from court to court to delay the Chateaugay project until a general election is in sight. Will

the government, and his proposals, parties, and were carried out by the Labor government loyally, so that the Australian unit is now in fair way to completion while suitable defence and training establishments are being established in the right course to adopt, and the enthusiasm of naval defence in the Commonwealth is in strong contrast to the unfortunate political difficulties in which Premier Borden has been involved in his endeavors to meet the Admiralty.

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Premier Borden dare again to flout public opinion in this way after his pre-election promises "To expedite the hearing of election petitions... and to provide for the thorough investigation of corrupt practices?"

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Not Likely

Well, my little man, what can I do for you? asked the grocer as he rubbed his hands together. These matches are bought this morning.

No good, exclaimed the grocer, now looking almost as much worried as the boy. What's the matter with them? This is the first company I've seen.

Can't help it, said the small boy. Mother says they're no good.

"Nonsense!" replied the grocer.

Then taking a match from one of the boxes he struck it, and held it up to the boy. Immediately, and turned to the boy again. Well, he enquired, what have you got?

The small complainant returned the disjointed look, unundertaken.

Then the grocer, who had been remarking, "You're to strike matches on your books every time she wants a light!"

All the same to him. Stranger—Hello, Green! Stranger—my name is Brown. Stranger—That's all right! I'm color blind!

Of Course Not

One of the inmates of a lunatic asylum, an Irishman, was sent to the smoking-room of the corner of the corner room. He returned in a moment and announced:

"I have a headache again."

"Take a draught of whisky," replied.

"It's not good for me," he replied. "I think it would be in this place if I'd try it."

Many children die from the assaults of moths, the first care of most parents about the house is to keep the children from the peacock feathers which can be depicted on the walls. Miller, who was a good man, did not only expel worms from the children, but it gave way, under me, and sent me to the bottom. On my self up what do you think I found?

The sovereign was the unanimous result.

Wrong! I found a guinea. You are the sovereign, he said in the bank and the sovereigns increased in value at the rate of five per cent.

Straight Shot

Lawyer—I hardly think that you can get a separation from your wife if you can't get a divorce.

"Oh, I see, it's like those slot gamblers. The people have to pay their money before they get any gas."

Save up for it!

One of two women hired a cab and paid the driver 25 cents for their ride with the following count: A twenty-five cent piece, three dimes, five cents, two cents, two cents and thirteen pennies.

After looking at the miscellany for a moment, the driver said, "I'll take and asked whimsically: Well, well, now, how long have you been in this town?"

"I've been here since this time that I've been to this little town to treat myself."

"Well, hard!—You see, I married the widow."

Woman growled the villain. The crime is on your own head.

She turned straight and demanded the villain.

—I wonder why they always have a rooster and never a hen to church services?

—Jack—I expect it is because it would be difficult to collect the eggs.

—I wonder if you are a son of mine, unless you are good for nothing.

He Found Out

The little agricultural school was founded with "Lecture on Keats," for with the first lecture, the first two were 30%—to buy it on easy terms and to get the very range you would choose, even if you had to pay the rent.

Our free book shows you exactly what the range is like. It describes each point clearly, and we guarantee to do our best to be just as represented.

You might as well see the real price of the book as to pay for it.

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BENNETT MAKES PLEDGES IN ANNUAL ADDRESS

Tony M. P. Actually Wants Mr. Borden to Fulfill His Promises

Another blow has come to the Borden government, the most unkindest cut of all, when R. B. Bennett, M.P. for Calgary, in his annual address to his electors, had the temerity to promise that he would resign his seat unless Mr. Borden kept some of his pre-election pledges. Mr. Bennett was particularly anxious to get the provincial natural resources out of the hands of Hon. Mr. Rogers and his clique, and intimated that he would do so to the best of his ability. Mr. Borden handed them over to the western provinces. In 1927, Mr. Borden denounced the Liberal government for retaining control of public lands in the new western provinces and declared, "We shall advocate and insist that the government assume all of the powers of self-government which have been conferred upon the provinces of Canada under the constitution."

The only move bearing upon provincial rights made by Premier Borden during his first year of office has been the Highway Aid bill and the Agricultural Aid bill, in each of which he tried to attack provincial rights by retaining control of moneys in his own hands. In each case it was only the activity of the opposition which prevented the loss of rights. Mr. Borden used to say that if he ever formed a government it would not be 24 hours old before he would move to give the western provinces their natural resources. His government is now 23 months old and nothing has been attempted. No wonder Mr. Bennett protests to be disgusted.

In his further remarks Mr. Bennett was not so happy. He declared that he voted for the Agricultural and Motor Tax with over \$15,000,000 in order to keep the Canadian Northern out of the hands of the receivers. The records show that Mr. Bennett voted consistently against the Liberal amendments which provided that this tax should be applied to the Canadian Northern. In a clear statement, the Canadian Northern should give some return in the way of increased government control of the western lines and reduction of western rates to the same level as those in the east. A good many people in the west as well as the east would like to know why a loan of \$15,000,000 would not have been

equally efficacious to keep the Canadian Northern out of the hands of the receivers. The legislation of rates and government control in British Columbia would have forced the road into liquidation.

Apparently Mr. R. B. Bennett, M.P., is merely bluffing in the effort to make his constituents believe that he is trying to call his leader's bluff.

WHY TAX EGGS

A good instance of the injustice of the present system of taxing food is furnished by the egg market. There is a duty of three cents a dozen on eggs, presumably to help the Canadian farmer, but it seems to indicate that this shifts off her winter activities. In Montreal this week there was agitation because strictly fresh eggs were being sold around 6 cents a dozen, with the probability that they would go up to 75 cents before the year was out.

In reply to public clamor, the leading egg brokers took stock of the position and issued a statement. This showed that there were only 31,796 dozen eggs in storage at Montreal; that the average price of eggs in Montreal was 7,000 cents a week, and the first Canadian supplies of eggs could not be expected until March 1st next.

That is, the present supply will be exhausted under normal conditions in about 10 weeks, and between that date and the arrival of supplies from Montreal will have to be imported, probably from the southern States, where the milder climate encourages cheap egg production.

Practically similar conditions prevail every year in Canada and in Canada. For years past the Canadian hen has not produced enough eggs to supply the population, and every winter the large cold storage firms have had to import thousands of tons of Canadian eggs.

The position is simple. In summer, when the Canadian barnyards are productive, there is no need for protection of eggs. In winter there is no need of it because there is practically no demand for eggs. In summer the same climatic reason that oranges are not grown here. Why then should the public be compelled to pay three cents a dozen to the government on top of the already exorbitant price of eggs? Why should the invalid and infirm be compelled to pay for the benefit of no one but an extravagant administration?

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RELAXATION OF PROSPERITY AND ENORMOUS TAXATION

Prices Decreased in United States
and Canadian Exports
Jumped.

As regards the tariff, Canada is rapidly approaching a similar position to that she suffered from in 1896—and it is significant that just as in 1896, before the Liberals came to power, trade was languishing, so today there is a dropping off in trade, a relaxation of general prosperity, tight money, enormous taxation, and high prices. It has been the custom of the Conservatives to declare that the Liberal government did not re-taxation. This is absolutely disproven by figures published by the Canadian Tariff Commission. Hon. Dr. Reid, minister of customs,

According to this report, in 1896, when the Liberals came to power, the percentage of duty on the total value of goods entered for consumption was 10.9 per cent. In 1911, when the Liberal government had not re-taxed, it was 10.6 per cent. In 1912, when the tariff was increased, it was 12.2 per cent. Immediately thereafter there was a drop in taxation and by 1892 the percentage had dropped to 17.8%.

The records for the following years are of considerable interest, since they show the general downward trend. Under the Laurier administration until it reached its lowest point in 1911, the last year of Liberal rule, and immediately thereafter show a steady rise until the year just passed the percentage of duties collected had gone up to 17.0% and the percentage of duties on which they had receded in 1896.

The percentage is as follows:

1897	17.87
1898	16.95
1899	16.70
1900	16.98
1901	16.06
1902	15.99
1903	15.87
1904	16.28
1905	16.04
1906	16.97
1907	16.56
1908	16.27
1909	16.11
1910	16.24
1911	15.87
1912	16.00
1913	17.03

The extraordinary manner in which trade with the United States has developed in comparison with our British trade since the Borden government came to power is even more marked. It is evident that the "No. 100" price of the Yankees was conceived merely for election purposes. After the Liberals came to power in 1896 Canada collected \$9,767,992 duty on imports of \$88,542,024 from the States. By 1911 this had increased to a total of \$37,851,000, or a percentage of 200 per cent, an increase of about fivefold in 15 years.

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The natural result of Conservative administration is thus strikingly manifest in the great increase of percentage of duties collected and the enormous increase in taxation. It is equally evident that the Department of Labor figures showing the relative cost of general staple goods entering into the cost of living, reveal that as compared with prices of ten years ago (assured at 100) prices today stand at 140. This is a rise of 40 per cent since September and nearly two points during the year. An extravagant Conservative government naturally means increased cost of living.

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